

# LIBERTY BOND OWNERS LOSE

More Than 12,000 Without Securities Through Theft or Carelessness.

More than 12,000 owners of Liberty bonds and Victory notes have lost their bonds either through theft, through destruction by burning, or through some form of carelessness.

**ESTIMATE IS CONSERVATIVE.** This is a conservative estimate. The figures which will be produced by the Secretary of the Treasury in his annual report, will show a number in excess of 12,000, it is believed. It is felt certain that in the final accounting, as many as 10,000 owners of coupon bonds will be shown to have been deprived of their Government securities. The last official figures showed 7,843 persons having lost their bonds of which 6,038 were holders of coupon bonds. These figures are up to the close of the last fiscal year.

For those who have lost their coupon bonds, there is little relief. For those who have lost registered bonds, there is every probability of relief. And yet Government officials said today there were probably 50,000,000 coupon bonds still in the hands of purchasers.

## TALES ARE PITIFUL

The tales of those who have lost their coupon bonds are most pitiful in many instances. Poor women who have struggled and saved to purchase Government securities, either through carelessness or a variety of unfortunate circumstances, suddenly find themselves minus the bonds. They endeavor to recover them, fail, and then present their pleas to the Government. Of the thousands who have pleaded for the substitution of securities for coupon bonds, only a very negligible percentage have produced sufficient proof of loss to permit the Government to relieve them. It was stated here today.

This condition probably will be brought to the attention of the coming Congress, with a hope that some measure of relief may be found for the owners of bonds as well as protection for the Government.

The Treasury officials again today called attention to their pleading that coupon bonds be exchanged for the registered bonds. Almost every advantage is given the holder of registered bonds. Almost every disadvantage accrues to the holder of coupon bonds. And yet the people will not respond.

## BANKS WILL HANDLE TRANSFER.

"Perhaps it is lack of knowledge as to how to exchange the bonds," was suggested. "Any bank will handle the matter," stated a Treasury official. "All the owner of a coupon bond has to do is go to his bank, ask for assistance in having his bonds exchanged, and the banks will handle it for him. Within two weeks he will have his registered bonds, sent to him by registered mail. There is not the slightest trouble. It all works like clock-work now."

"Then there is no necessity for clipping your coupons. If you have registered bonds, your names are on the Treasury books. Every six months, a check comes to your house for the value of the bonds lost. But despite all this evidence and pledges, and so on, the request was turned down on the ground that the evidence was not "clear and unequivocal proof of the loss," as the law demands.

## WARN BOND HOLDERS.

To warn the holders of coupon bonds of some of the difficulties they face in the event they lose their bonds, some of the stories told the Treasury officials are related. One in particular is as follows:

Four persons were living in a house, two elderly women who were sisters and two younger men who were brothers and nephews of the women.

# Republicans Predict Landslide, But White Sees Democratic Wave

Cox Manager Confident League Issue Will Prove Sufficient to Elect Candidate.

By GEORGE WHITE, Chairman Democratic National Committee. Written Expressly for International News Service.

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.—With the honest opponents of the League of Nations with or without reservations, I have no quarrel. Between us it is merely a difference of opinion. But with those who try to avoid taking a positive stand for or against, with those who seek to belabor the issue with untruths and ambiguities, who, like the squid, cover their retreat from point-blank attack in a discharge of ink—with those I have a quarrel.

My quarrel with them is that they are trying to fool the people; that they are either disingenuous or cowardly; that they are unworthy of the voted confidence of a nation which they will not take into their confidence.

I was born in an intensely American part of the world and live in one now, and from the merely practical standpoint of expediency I would advise the Republican majority to remember that it is the American people they are dealing with, and that the American people, when they discover they are being played for lambs, turn into avenging lions.

The Democrats will win this year because they have an issue and have taken an honest, clear stand on it. They will win because they offer the only avenue to lasting peace without the sacrifice of a jot of sovereignty or constitutional supremacy. But win or lose they have conducted a clean, honest campaign, and they are proud of it.

## PROOF NOT SUFFICIENT.

The women could not prove the bonds had been burned. They could have shown that papers in the chest had been burned, that the bonds were underneath the papers on the bottom of the chest; that no one, other than the owner of the bonds, knew they were in the chest; that jewelry and other valuables in the chest had not been disturbed; that no one other than the four persons had been in the house and seen the bonds; that the house and the burned bonds had been destroyed. Affidavits were given supporting the character of everyone connected with the case, and pledges were given that if the Government accepted the statements and gave substitute bonds, indemnity bonds would be filed to protect the Government to the extent of \$400, or twice the value of the bonds lost. But despite all this evidence and pledges, and so on, the request was turned down on the ground that the evidence was not "clear and unequivocal proof of the loss," as the law demands.

"It is evident that Congress wanted the most absolute proof of loss to be presented," said a Government official. "The words of the law are unmistakable in their demand for absolute proof. We can do nothing else but demand absolute proof."

Government officials say that the number of "lost bonds and the demand for 'substitutions by the Government' is increasing.

Ex-Senator Weeks Certain of Victory Through Resentment Against Administration.

By JOHN W. WEEKS, Member of the Executive Committee, Republican National Committee. Written Expressly for International News Service.

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.—Four years ago at this stage of the campaign, the Democratic slogans were: "He kept us out of war," and "Wilson and peace with honor."

"The Democratic National Committee," wistfully attacking Theodore Roosevelt's fine Americanism and wildly asserting that the Republican campaign fund was being financed in millions to plunge the country into war. It was monstrously charged that men "who place the almighty dollar ahead of human life" and who had "made billions for organized wealth" were seeking to restore the Republican party to power for ignominious ends.

It is well to recall Democratic deception of 1915, in order justly to appraise Democratic tactics of 1920. They are closely akin. But the American people cannot be fooled anew, and will this time rebuke Wilsonism and Coism by the most overwhelming majority yet recorded against an administration.

Talking in millions and billions four years ago, the Democratic party, through an incompetent Administration at Washington, has since been spending in millions and billions, with the result that for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1920—a peace year, bear in mind—the expenses of the Federal Government were \$6,766,444,461. These figures are from the Treasury statement of June 30.

The cost of Government for this one year—a peace year—exceeds the value of current wholesale prices of all the wheat, all the corn, all the oats, and all the potatoes that will be produced in the United States this year, which, according to estimates of the Department of Agriculture, will be \$6,821,961,040. Think of that!

Is it any wonder, in the face of this staggering situation, that a Republican landslide is surely impending?

## HARDING RETURNING TO MARION PLAZA

Republican Nominee Will Spend Remainder of Campaign in Home State.

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Lodge reservations we will never carry it into the League of Nations under that name. The Lodge reservations were never "robbed in good faith. If they had been Lodge would have included them in the Chicago platform.

"The child had been abandoned by its father," said Governor Cox emphatically, "I shall not consider myself in duty bound to be its guardian."

Governor Cox was in a happy mood over the reception he received in Baltimore. Speaking in the same hall that Senator Harding spoke in recently, and incidentally the same hall that Woodrow Wilson was nominated President, he talked with a crowd estimated at 20,000. According to some of his informants, when Senator Harding spoke there, many in the audience left after twenty minutes of his speech, while Governor Cox held his crowd in its entirety for an hour and a half.

As at Wilmington earlier in the day, the mention of Senator Harding's name met with a response and hoos when the governor charged that he was one of the "Senatorial oligarchy" who signed the "round robin" against the League of Nations.

Following his speech here, Governor Cox was scheduled to speak at Princeton, Newark, and Jersey City.

**LET EUROPE FACE OWN CRISIS, SAYS COOLIDGE**

U. S. Has No Money to Give Foreigners, He States.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Oct. 22.—Gov. Calvin Coolidge, repudiating the suggestion to cancel the war debt owed by the allies, declared here today that if America has any money to give away it should give it to Americans, not foreigners.

"There has been no suggestion," he said, "that the ten or twelve billions of debt due to us from abroad should be canceled. It seems to me that if that amount of money is to be given away, it should be given to Americans, not to foreigners. The people abroad will have to work out their salvation as we shall have to work out ours. Not through charity, but through each meeting their own obligations."

Governor Coolidge completed here his invasion of the third Southern State and left early for Virginia, where he will speak in Danville and Richmond.

# CONTROL OF SENATE REPUBLICAN GOAL

Leaders Certain of Harding's Election Strive for Congressional Victories.

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**LOOK FOR MAJORITY.** Both Republicans and Democrats recognize that if the Republicans can hold the States they once have on the senatorship, they are practically sure to add enough out of Democratic States to get a good working majority.

The Democrats are making aggressive campaigns in several States now represented in the Senate by Republicans. Connecticut, Iowa, Indiana and Wisconsin are examples. The Republicans are making aggressive senatorial campaigns in ten or more States now represented in the Senate by Democrats. They are fighting hard to hold their own in all the States wherein they now have Senators.

Iowa is one of the States where there is a first class Senatorial contest. Senator Albert B. Cummins, president pro tempore of the Senate, chairman of the Interstate Commerce Committee, one of the authors of the new railroad law, is opposed by Claude R. Porter, Democrat, counsel for the Federal Trade Commission.

By a heavy vote, but the opposition Senator Cummins among some of the labor elements and some of the farmers who do not like the new railroad law, is making a determined effort to win. What is likely to happen is that Senator Cummins will win by a figure materially lower than Harding's majority in the State. In Iowa they have the circle on the ballot, and this will help Senator Cummins. The Iowa contest is being closely watched by Government ownership advocates.

They would hail the defeat of Senator Cummins as a victory for the cause of Government ownership and will regard any heavy cut in his vote as a sign of sentiment for Government ownership.

## WISCONSIN UNCERTAIN.

The complications in Wisconsin continue to be such that it is difficult to make a prediction as to the outcome of the fight on Senator Lenroot. The friends of the Senator are becoming more confident of electing him. The opposition of the La Follette organization, with James Thompson, of La Crosse, as its Senatorial candidate, is strong. The Democratic candidate is Paul Reinsch.

In the opinion of most observers the contest is between Lenroot and Thompson. Reinsch is running as an independent Republican, but there is a question whether he will unite with the Republicans to organize the Senate if he were elected. Senator Harding has strongly endorsed Lenroot.

In the border States, Maryland, Kentucky, Missouri and Oklahoma, as the campaign draws toward the end, the Democrats are making as much out of the race as they can. This is being raised in a number of forms. The fact this issue is raised shows the desperate nature of the struggle along the border. By use of it the Democratic leaders hope to escape the danger they are under of having the solid South thrown wide open to the advance of the Republicans.

## RACE ISSUE CROPS UP.

"As a matter of fact, the race issue is being used in a number of Southern States to hold down the Republican vote. As to the effect of it, opinions differ. However, Senator Spencer seems assured of re-election in Missouri, and in Kentucky, it continues to look as if Richard P. Ernst, the Republican Senatorial candidate, would win. Maryland and Oklahoma senatorships are evidently going to remain doubtful to the last. In South Dakota, the latest reports favor the election of Governor Norbeck, the Republican candidate, as Senator to succeed Senator Johnson, Democrat. Colorado is in doubt and it is hard to tell what will be the effect of the entrance into the race

STATE SENATOR JOHN INMAN, of Sacramento, who is at the head of the Oriental Executive League, which is leading the fight to oust the Japanese from California.



of Senator Thomas, present Democratic incumbent, as an independent.

Nevada, Arizona and Idaho are close. In Oregon, Senator George Phelan is much stronger than Cox in his party. It is uphill work to defeat a man of Chamberlain's popularity and skill in politics. However, the Republican candidate, Robert N. Stillfield, is making a thorough campaign.

Senator Chamberlain is not liked by the Administration and some of the Administration Democrats, but on the other hand, his antagonism to certain of the policies of the Administration has gained him friends in other quarters. Harding will carry the State and this will help Stillfield.

One of the most spectacular Senatorial battles in the country is that in California, where Senator Phelan, Democrat, is opposed by Samuel R. Shortridge, Republican. Shortridge has the support of Hiram Johnson, Governor Stephens and other California Republican leaders say they will carry the State for Harding by 100,000.

Phelan is much stronger than Cox in California, is wealthy, and is making the fight of his life. If the Harding majority mounts up to 100,000 in the State, or anywhere near it, it is likely Phelan will be defeated.

At one time there was much talk that Senator Reed Smoot would be defeated in Utah. This talk has practically died out. Smoot will be returned by his notifiable majority. Moses in New Hampshire and Brundage in Connecticut are having sharp opposition but are regarded now as no longer in danger. Watson-Taggart fight is going to be a spectacular finish, with plenty of red ink and high-spirited political thrill and excitement. Watson has the advantage, despite Taggart's strong organization, because of the fact that by all accounts Harding will carry the State by a large figure.

Illinois politics has got into a remarkable tangle but it will not seriously interfere with the prospects for election of Congressman McKinley to the Senate on the Republican ticket. The race between Len Small and Senator James Hamilton Lewis over the governorship is a hard one, but Harding is sure to carry Illinois overwhelmingly and McKinley will be elected to the Senate without difficulty.

## CARRIES 90 PASSENGERS.

What is said to be the largest passenger-carrying motor vehicle ever built was designed by D. W. Tompkins, an automotive engineer in Ohio. The motor street car or bus carries ninety passengers, has upholstered seats, electric lights and adjustable windows. It runs on six wheels and the engine is a six-cylinder rated at 25 horsepower.

# REED FEARS THOSE BEHIND CANDIDATES

Senator Most Interested in Election of Anti-League Associates.

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**KANSAS CITY, Oct. 22.**—Such curiosity as existed over the Presidential candidates is satisfied today after his personally conducted rally at Convention Hall. Reed is against both Cox and Harding.

The Missouri solon made it plain his fundamental interest in the national election is the election of a Senate that will effectively thwart any League of Nations. Not only is he against the Wilson League, but he is opposed to any and all alliances with European nations that surrender or impair the sovereignty of the United States.

"The Democratic candidate for President is for the present League of Nations, with reservations," he said, "but nobody knows what they are. If he is elected I fear the influence of Woodrow Wilson."

"The Republican candidate for President is for an association of nations, but he asserts he does not know what it will be; if he is elected I shudder at the influence of Elihu Root and the international bankers. Obviously America's interests demand the election of a Senate that will spurn every form of internationalism."

"So important do I regard the election of a Senate hostile to the influence of internationalism that I am going to hurry to the close of this address that I may go to Wisconsin where the contest is between Senator Lenroot, one of the mildest of the mild reservationists, and a Democrat who endorses the League almost without change. I deem it my duty to give all the aid I can to the independent Republican, Thomson, who is running for the Senate upon an American platform."

He assailed particularly President Wilson's efforts to assume one-man rule. In part he said:

Presented as a panacea for human ills and a sure cure for war, the League of Nations was at first accepted by the American people. Their minds had been prepared by a great and costly propaganda, a single organization having spent more than \$500,000, to which funded a large number of holders of European bonds were contributors.

"At the first sign of opposition the flood gates of denunciation were opened. Condemnation was well nigh universal, but the debates began to disclose one ugly fact after another. "Among these, that a super-world government was to be created in which we would be in a helpless minority."

"Am I not safe in saying that not one man or woman in a thousand people of the United States would want the League of Nations as originally presented?"

"The majority of the Senate wanted fourteen amendments. Taft's League to Enforce Peace wants amendments. Root wants amendments. Bryan wants amendments. Professor Lowell wants amendments. Wilson

may he will accept amendments. Mitchell wants amendments.

"Twenty-six Democratic Senators voted for the treaty with all the Lodge amendments. The other twenty Senators voted for something like a dozen somewhat similar amendments. "I have been assailed for opposing this blessed document. If my position has contributed to the exposure of its iniquity as that substantially nobody wants it without changes, then it must be admitted I have rendered my country an invaluable service."

## DR. BLUM TO LECTURE.

Dr. William Blum, of the Bureau of Standards, will deliver a lecture on the "Process and Plant for Electrolytic Reproduction of Printing Plate," at the regular monthly meeting of the Washington Club of Printing House Craftsmen, next Tuesday night.

# LOSES LOAD OF WOOD BY SPARK FROM PIPE

RACON, Mont., Oct. 22.—John Framlin, farmer of this community, is swearing off pipe smoking, especially in wind storms. He went to the river near his ranch recently, secured a load of wood and also stopped at the truck garden and secured many other supplies for his home. He climbed on the wagon, lighted his pipe and started for home.

A big windstorm came up, and a spark from his pipe lighted on a pitchy piece of wood in his wagon. The wind stirred up a blaze which soon enveloped the wagon and led to loss of all of the wood and vegetables.

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